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In re Application of:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This application is the U.S. national stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of International Application No. PCT/GB00/02104, filed June 1, 2000. Prior to the first examination on the merits, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 6, 7 and 13-15 as follows:

6. (Amended) A radio positioning method according to claim 3, wherein the step of acquiring data from said one or more receivers includes instigating acquisition of said data from a common location.

7. (Amended) A radio positioning method according to claim 3, wherein the step of acquiring data from said one or more receivers includes instigating acquisition of said data from each said receiver at times determined by each said receiver.

13. (Amended) A radio positioning system according to claim 10, wherein the means for acquiring data from said one or more receivers includes a computer system arranged to instigate the transfer of said data from said one or more receivers to said computer system at times determined by said computer system.